

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

KANSAS CITY DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS 700 FEDERAL BUILDING KANSAS CITY. MISSOURI 64106-2896

REPLY TO ATTENTION OF:

March 20, 2008

Planning, Programs and Project Management Division Planning Branch

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

An Environmental Assessment titled, Garden of Eden Drainage District – Section 3, Item No. 139S3, Non –Federal, Emergency Levee Rehabilitation Project, and a draft Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) prepared by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Kansas City, are available for your review on the project's website at: http://www.nwk.usace.army.mil.

The Kansas City District – U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (CENWK), in cooperation with the project sponsor, Garden of Eden Drainage District – Section 3 proposes to construct the Garden of Eden – Section 3 Levee Rehabilitation Project under the authority of Public Law 84-99, of the Flood Control Act of 1944. Under this authority, the Corps of Engineers can provide assistance to public agencies in responding to flood emergencies such as the rehabilitation of flood control works damaged or destroyed by floods.

The project area is located in Chariton County, Missouri along the left descending bank of the Grand River, between river miles 15.0 to 7.0 and right descending bank of Salt Creek. The proposed project would involve the repair of a severe breach with a landward levee setback, inplace repairs of a partial breach, repairs to intermittent crown, and landside and riverside erosion areas, along with re-seeding of both landside and riverside levee slopes. Repairs are required as a result of the flood event declared on 6 May 2007.

Copies of the EA and the draft FONSI are also available by contacting Ms. Lekesha Reynolds; U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; PM-PR, 601 E. 12th St, Kansas City, Missouri, 64106; to request a copy in writing, at (816-) 389-3160 to request a copy by phone, or at lekesha.w.reynolds@usace.army.mil to request a copy by e-mail.

The public review and comment period for the EA and draft FONSI will end 30 days from the date of this letter.

Sincerely,

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